REMARKS

Claims 1-12 remain in this application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.

An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

 \boxtimes - a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A device and process for production of a bottle stopper, particularly for wine bottles, from polymers, includes the following series of steps:

- a) homogenizing and/or mixing a single polymer material based on at least VAE (vinyl acetate ester), by bringing it to temperature, in an extruder having a single casing and one screw as well as an outlet nozzle,
- b) injecting at least one gas under pressure into this single material,
- c) shaping the material through the nozzle of the extruder in the form of an extrusion of predetermined diameter, and
- d) cutting of the extrusion to form stoppers of this same diameter.